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Robert F. Bauer Daniel B. Nudelman Perkins Coie 700 Thirteenth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005

RE: MUR 6734

Thomas Fay

Dear Messrs. Bauer and Nudelman:

On May 14, 2013, the Federal Election Commission notified your client, Thomas Fay, of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was forwarded to your client at that time.

Upon further review of this matter, including the recent Supreme Court decision in *FEC* v. *McCutcheon*, the Commission, on July 2, 2014, voted to dismiss this matter. The Factual and Legal Analysis, which explains the Commission's decision, is enclosed for your information.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003) and Statement of Policy Regarding Placing First General Counsel's Reports on the Public Record, 74 Fed. Reg. 66,132 (Dec. 14, 2009).

If you have any questions, please contact Elena Paoli, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1548.

Sincerely,

Mark Allen

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Acting Assistant General Counsel

Enclosure: Factual and Legal Analysis

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2	FACTUAL AND LEGAL ANALYSIS		
4		RESPONDENTS:	MUR: 6734
5 6		RESPONDENTS.	MOR. 0734
7		John Canning	Vincent Mai
8		Jeffrey Hurt	Prem Reddy
9		Donald Simms	Robert Beal
10		Susan Simms	Richard Uihlein
11		David Wallace	Philip Geier
12		Robert Reynolds	L. Scott Frantz
13		David Boies	John Cooney
14		Thomas Cushman	Elizabeth Wiskemann
15		Joe Murphy	Edward Donaghy
16		Thomas Fay	Michael Keiser
17		Thomas Girardi	John Roeser
18		Amy Goldman	Josephine Freede
19		John Harris	Don Scifres
20		David Herro	Timothy Travis
21		Carl A. Davis	William Smithburg
22		Kurt Wheeler	Alan Sieroty
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25	I.	INTRODUCTION	
26	This matter was generated by a complaint filed with the Federal Election Commission		
27	("Commission") by Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington and Melanie Sloan		
28	("CREW") and the Campaign Legal Center and Paul S. Ryan ("CLC") alleging that 32		
29	individuals violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(3)(A) and 11 C.F.R. § 110.5(b)(1)(i) by exceeding the		
30	\$42,600 aggregate biennial limit for contributions to candidate committees during the 2012		
31	election cycle.		
32	II. FACTUAL AND LEGAL ANALYSIS		
33		The Act and Commission regulat	ions set biennial limits on the aggregate amount that an
34	individual may contribute to all authorized candidate committees during each two-year period		

beginning on January 1 of an odd-numbered year and ending on December 31 of the next even-

numbered year. 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(3)(A); 11 C.F.R. § 110.5(b)(1)(i).

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- On April 2, 2014, the Supreme Court invalidated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(3), holding that the
- 2 aggregate biennial contribution limits do not further the government's interest in preventing
- actual or apparent quid pro quo corruption. FEC v. McCutcheon, 134 S. Ct. 1434 (2014).
- 4 Accordingly, we dismiss the complaint and close the file.